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PLAS Gurus & Guresses,

Here are the latest Flashes from PLAS!

---- SO WHERE IS PLAS VERSION 8.01?

It has been tested, debugged, and will be installed during the week of 16 June 1997. The reason for delaying the "Early June" implementation plan previously announced was to test the new release at DCMC's eleven Unit Cost test sites. These CAOs have just completed 30 days use of PLAS 8.01 under our watchful eye and we are satisfied that we are good to go Command wide. One major item detected and corrected during this test involved an inability to operate the "Palette" feature while connecting to PLAS via CITRIX. The deployment will be very conventional and will involve swapping out the existing program, reports, and Help files. All sites will use the same set of files.

Updated PLAS on-line help screens will be distributed simultaneously with the installation of Version 8.01. These new screens provide a wealth of information about changed reporting guidelines and Unit Cost. Suggest you browse through them carefully and contact us if you have questions.

---- PLAS HOME PAGE ACTIVE!

The PLAS Program Management Center (PMC) Home Page address is http://www.plas.dcmdc.dla.mil. No more relying solely on e-mail for distributing PLAS news! The PMC home page features: PLAS FAQ's (Frequently Asked Questions), PLAS PMC weekly news items, a search capability and a feedback feature.   Under construction is a downloadable PLAS User's Manual, a complete listing of CAO PLAS Administrators with e-mail addresses and archive of all PLAS-O-Grams. Most importantly, all future PLAS-O-Grams, notices, news bulletins and administrative announcements will be posted to this home page. Please check it weekly!

---- DCMC BUSINESS PROCESS TEAM (BPT) DECREES NEW IRM REPORTING GUIDELINES

One critical PLAS goal is to more accurately and full cost our DCMC processes. Charging all IRM systems development time to PLAS Process 212, Systems/Communications Support did little to further this goal. The BPT has decreed that all systems development and deployment time should be charged to the process most direct affected by the automated system. Therefore, development of a new DADS version would be charged to Process 105, Plant Clearance. Deploying ALERTS would be charged to Process 081B, Contract Delivery Surveillance. For those systems, more generic in nature, like PLAS, charging to Process 212 is still appropriate. See the new PLAS help screens for further details.

This decree does NOT affect PROGRAM codes! Developing a new ALERTS module would be charged to PLAS Process code 081B and PLAS Program code NP036, ALERTS Development & Deployment. Likewise, deploying ACO Mods would be charged to PLAS Process 046, Contract Modifications and PLAS Program NP034, ACO Mods Development & Deployment.

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The following is some further guidance in terms of the proper process code to reference when working on these Performance Plan IRM initiatives.

TASK	TITLE	PLAS CODE	
2.1.6.1	Video Teleconferencing	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.2	Imaging	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.3	Internet/World Wide Web	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.4	IRM Plan	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.5	TAMS	172	- Termination for Convenience
2.1.6.6	PASS	021	- Preaward Surveys
2.1.6.7	ALERTS	081B	- Contract Delivery Surveillance
2.1.6.8	DADs	105	- Plant Clearance
2.1.6.9	PCARSS	105	- Plant Clearance
2.1.6.10	DSIS	010	- Participate/Support DOD Industrial Base Program
2.1.6.11	SPS	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.12	EDI	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.13	ACO MODs	046	- Contract Modifications
2.1.6.14	GUI	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.15	AMS	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.16	Closed Contract Database	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.17	Customs Redesign	152	- Customs and Duties
2.1.6.18	Reimbursable/PLAS Intrfce	006	- Reimbursable Contract Administration Services
2.1.6.19	Pricing Work Bench	041	- Proposal Evaluation
2.1.6.20	AIS	217B	- Training Administration
2.1.6.21	CPRS	181	- Contract Closeout
2.1.6.22	Electrnc Document Access	212	- Systems/Communication Support
2.1.6.23	OASYS	049	- Over and Above Process

For questions relating to any of the topics in this PLAS-O-GRAM please e-mail us using PLAShelp, call the PLAS Helpline at 1-888-PLASINF, or use the feedback section on the PLAS PMC homepage.

See you on the Home Page!

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